



The Martial Band of Heber was a popular musical group in the valley. Pictured here at a Black Hawk celebration, they are in the front of the picture. Left to right, they are John (Keg) Duke Jr., Robert McKnight, A. Y. Duke, Will Thacker and James Shanks.

their very good exceptional music down through the years, and many new members joined down to the time the high school band was organized and started. Some others who played in the brass band later and down to that time, were: Anthony Olson, Mont Hatch, Guy Alexander, Piercy McMullen, Moroni Morris, Adolphia R. Duke, Andy Anderson, Arthur Olson, Elijah Hicken, Karl Probst, Seymore Duke, Owen Buell, Sterling Duke, Clayton C. Montgomery and others whose names are not available.

They furnished music for all occasions, concerts, holiday celebrations, funerals, etc. At different times the band had band uniforms. It is told of the early 10 members in about 1900 that they were all dressed in uniforms of scarlet coats, tight fitting with gold and red braid down the front and gold braid decorations on the shoulders, navy blue trousers. On their heads they wore dome-shaped navy hats with a large red feather plume. In this uniform they led the funeral procession of Johnathan Clegg and other funerals. They played to all funerals as well as to 4th and 24th parades and celebrations and thrilled the people with patriotism.

Popular for many years in the community were the mandolin and guitar clubs. Hundreds of programs included entertainment by members of these clubs. A few well known performers included Orson Moulton, Derrick Goodwin, Piercy McMullin, Roe Duke, Joe Duke and Alfred Sharp.

Another popular orchestra in the community was the Duke & Olson